

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 321 - HB 660**

March 10, 2009

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Adds the intentional delay of claim payment for health care services provided for personal injuries past the one year statute of limitations for action regarding such injuries, as an unfair or deceptive act or practice under the Tennessee Consumer Protection Act of 1977,.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Revenue - Not Significant**  
**Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant**

**Increase Local Revenue - Not Significant**  
**Increase Local Expenditures - Not Significant**

Assumptions:

- Violations of the Tennessee Consumer Protection Act of 1977 are punishable through private rights of actions, civil liabilities, and as a Class B misdemeanor.
- A small increase in cases in the court system, which will result in additional state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and additional state and local government revenue from fees, taxes and costs collected. These expenditures and revenue are estimated to be not significant.
- Any cost can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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